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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : M. Amin Arnaout et al.

Art Unit : 1645

Serial No. : 09/758,493

Examiner : Schwadron

Filed : January 11, 2001

Title : HIGH AFFINITY INTEGRIN POLYPEPTIDES AND USES THEREOF

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION TO REVIVE APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.137(b)

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR §1.137(b) to revive the above application, which was abandoned on April 28, 2003 for failure to respond to an Office Action mailed October 1, 2002. Applicant, however, submits that no Office Action was received in this application and as a result any delay was unavoidable. The undersigned provides the following evidence that the Office Action dated October 1, 2002 was never received in our office:

- 1) Manual Mail Log covering the period of October 1, 2002 through October 31, 2002;
- 2) Printed docket for deadlines occurring January 1, 2003 and April 1, 2003; and
- 3) Declaration of our Senior Docketing Specialist, Janine M. Goodwin.

Since the Notice was not received, this application should not be designated as abandoned, or, if it is designated abandoned, the abandonment should be withdrawn.

Based on the foregoing evidence, applicant submits that any delay was unavoidable since applicant did not have any opportunity to respond to the Patent Office's requirements within the set time period. Therefore, applicant requests that the abandonment be withdrawn and that the enclosed Reply to Office Action be accepted as a response to the Office Action mailed

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October 1, 2002. A check for \$650 in payment of the petition fee by a small entity as set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(m) is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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